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FOR A. FRIEDMAN, J. LIVERMAN, J. WHITNAH, ERDA

NARECO FOR A. ROSENTHAL, B. KROPP

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TECH, JA

SUBJECT: NAME OF RERF

1. IN A RECENT CONVERSATION WITH THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF JAIF ON ANOTHER TOPIC, THE SUBJECT OF RERF'S NEW NAME CAME UP. THE DIRGEN INDICATED THAT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE CONSTERNATION IN THE NUCLEAR AND NUCLEAR-MEDICAL COMMUNITIES OVER THE NAME. IT IS FELT TO BE TOO ALL-ENCOMPASSING.

2. THIS DISTURBS THE RADIATION EFFECTS PEOPLE BECAUSE THERE ARE OTHER ORGNIZATIONS WHOSE STUDIES ARE DIRECTED AT THE MEDICAL EFFECTS OF RADIATION FROM VARIOUS NON-MILITARY SOURCES. IT HAS IN THE PAST BEEN IMPLICIT FROM ABCC'S NAME THAT ITS STUDIES WERE CONSTRAINED TO THE EFFECTS OF RADIATION FROM THE ATOMIC BOMBS UPON THE HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI SURVIVORS AND THEIR OFFSPRING.

3. THE NON-MEDICAL NUCLEAR COMMUNITY, I.E., UTILITIES, AIF, ETC. WOULD LIKE TO REMAIN AT ARMS' LENGTH FROM ALL ASPECTS OF

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RADIATION EFFECTS. THEY ARE CONCERNED OVER A WEAKENING OF

THE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN RADIATION EFFECTS AND ATOM BOMBS,  
FEARING A STRONGER ASSOCIATION WITH NUCLEAR POWER WILL RESULT.  
THEIR EVALUATION OF NADER'S PURPOSE IN VISITING JAPAN --  
PARTICULARLY HIS MUCH PUBLICIZED STOP IN HIROSHIMA -- IS TO  
ATTEMPT TO DRAW A STRONG RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NUCLEAR ENERGY  
AND THE ATOM BOMB SURVIVORS. THE RESPONSE OF THE NUCLEAR  
COMMUNITY IS TO ATTEMPT TO STRENGTHEN, RATHER THAN WEAKEN, THE  
ASSOCIATION BETWEEN RADIATION EFFECTS AND BOMBS, AND TO  
DISASSOCIATE NUCLEAR POWER FROM THE UNHAPPY ASPECTS OF NUCLEAR  
RADIATION.

4. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THE SUBJECT BE GIVEN THOUGHTFUL REVIEW.

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